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### The 2022 California Student Mock Election is on Tuesday, October 11!

### Join Us!

The **2022 California Student Mock Election** helps young people discover the importance of elections and the power of their vote in our democracy. It gives high school and middle school students firsthand experience with the electoral process by giving them a chance to make their voices heard on the candidates and issues important to them and their families.

### Here's How

Schools need to select a Mock Election Coordinator and register their school at <a href="https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/studentmockelection">https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/studentmockelection</a>. The Coordinator serves as the school's primary contact to receive and distribute updates on the Student Mock Election to participating teachers and report the final schoolwide vote tally to the Secretary of State's office.

The mock election could become a project for the student government by itself, or with other student groups. Or it might involve a broader committee of students, teachers, parents, and community volunteers. Participation in the mock election can take place online, in classrooms, or at one central location on campus. Schools can add their own creative touches to make their mock election a rewarding experience.

# **Tools and Resources**

Engaging, standards-based lesson plans and activities can help teachers prepare their students to become informed and involved voters. The 2022 Student Mock Election will once again offer two electronic voting options: Google Forms and interactive PDF ballots. Electronic ballots and instructions for electronic voting will be emailed to schools that opt for an electronic supply kit when they register. The following mock election resources will be available on the **2022 California**Student Mock Election web page at <a href="https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/studentmockelection/tools-success:">https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/studentmockelection/tools-success:</a>

- Ballots, posters, and "I Voted" stickers
- Our student Voter Information Guide
- Links to other election-related resources

# <u>2022 Key Dates</u>

September 19	Schools registered by this date may request a mock election tool kit by mail
September 20	Schools registered on or after this date obtain materials from website
October 5	Last day for schools to register for the 2022 California Student Mock Election
October 1	First day for schools to enter voting results
October 11	Student Mock Election Day
October 14	Announcement of statewide results
November 8	California General Election